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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman,  
Guided Missile Intelligence Committee

Subject: Soviet Guided Missile Requirements

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SOVIET REQUIREMENTS (FOR AIR-TO-SURFACE MISSILE SYSTEMS)

1. During the period of this estimate the USSR will have requirements for air-to-surface missile systems to increase the probability of air strikes achieving successful results against heavily defended land and sea targets and of reducing bomber mortality on any given mission. These air-to-surface missile systems will have to be effective when opposed by close-in air patrol and surface-to-air missile systems of increasing range during the period of the estimate.

2. Soviet military planners in establishing requirements for air-to-surface guided missiles would probably have evaluated Western air defense capabilities about as follows:

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